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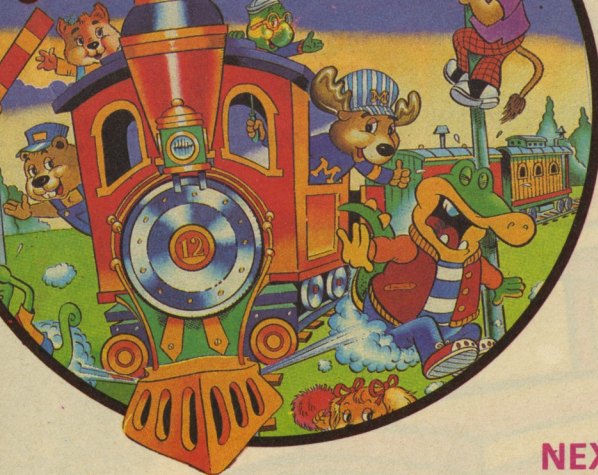
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GET ALONG GANG™



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GREEN
MEADOW!

All Aboard!



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NEXT WEEK: Fun on film for the Gang!
Montgomery and the others try to make a movie!

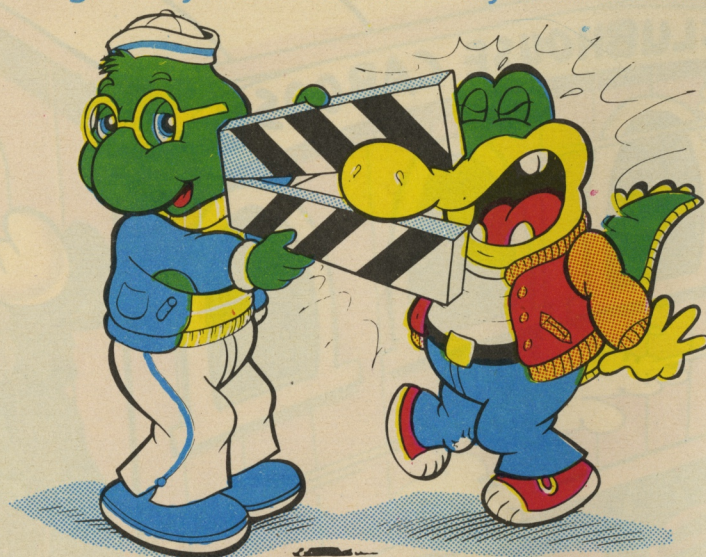
HI GANG!

Welcome to our huffing-puffing train issue! It's fun travelling by train, but it can have its troublesome moments as we find out on page 8. There's also a cut-out train to make on page 12 and the brain teasers on page 7 will really get your brain into training! So grab your ticket and jump aboard!

Montgomery

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GANG PROJECT

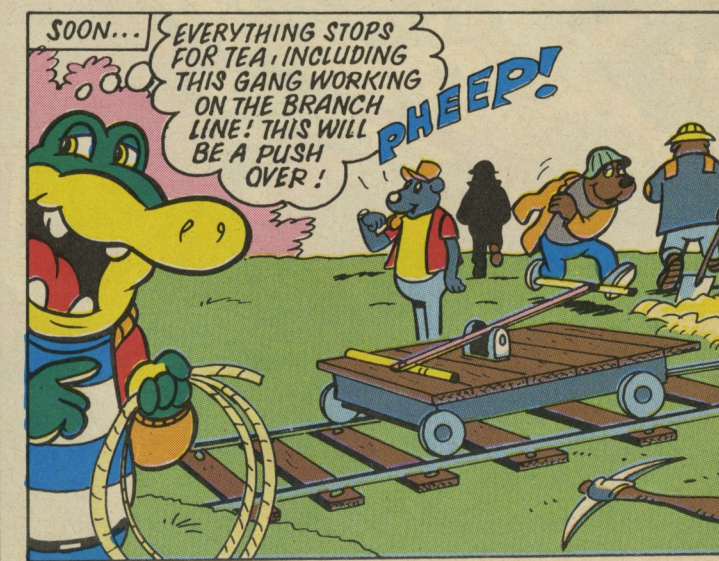
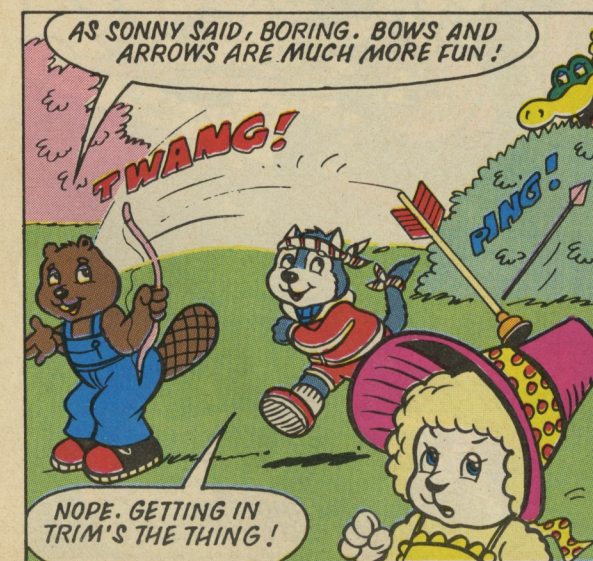
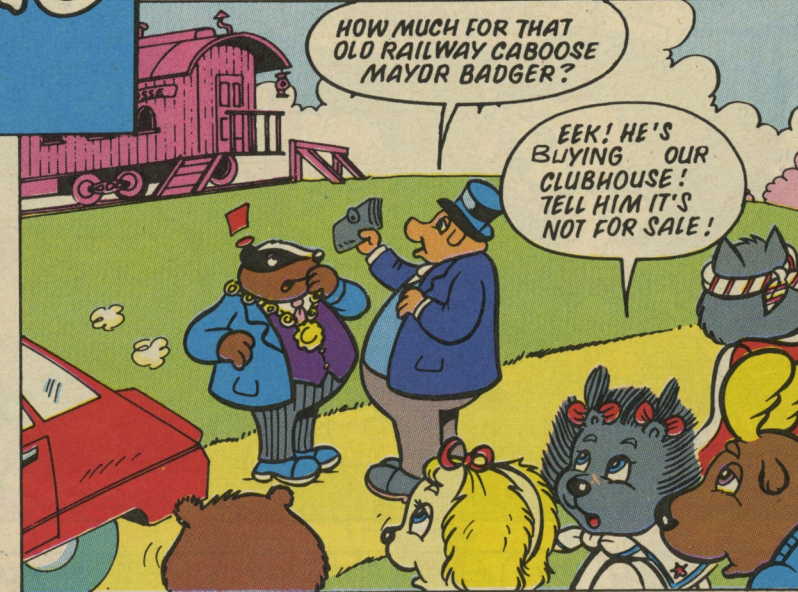
As you can see, this week's issue is all about trains! The gang project for this week is train spotting! **Train spotting** is very easy. All you have to do is spend some time at your local railway station. Take a pad and pen and write down the numbers on the trains you see. There are 2 types of train that you are likely to see: **Diesel** and **electric**. Electric trains are easily recognisable as they run on a overhead wire or a third railway track. You're unlikely to see a steam train nowadays! British Rail do run one steam train though, between Fort William and Malag in Scotland. There are also several private steam trains in the country. Write and let us know if you see any really interesting trains!

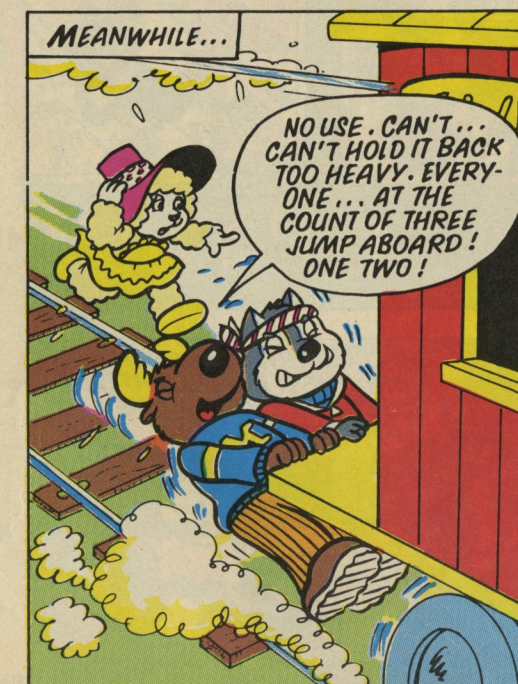
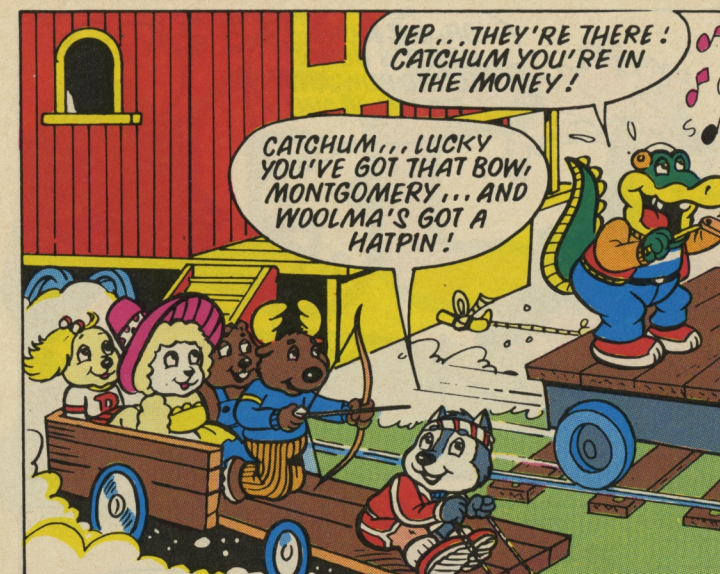
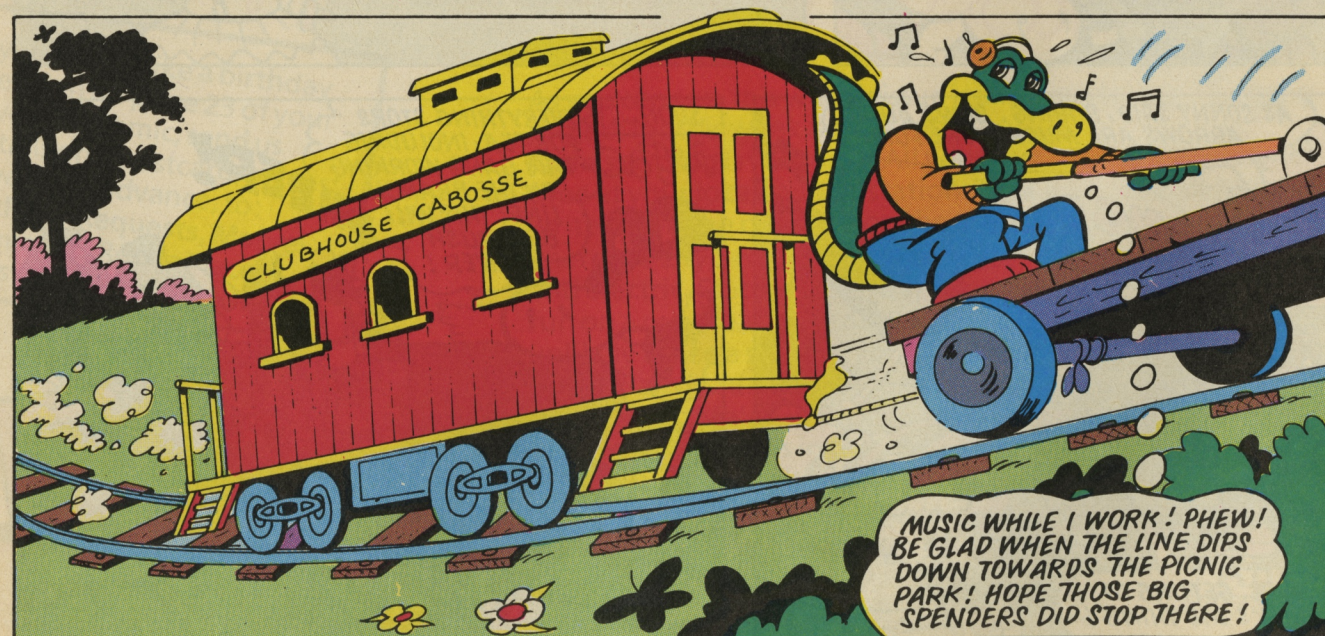
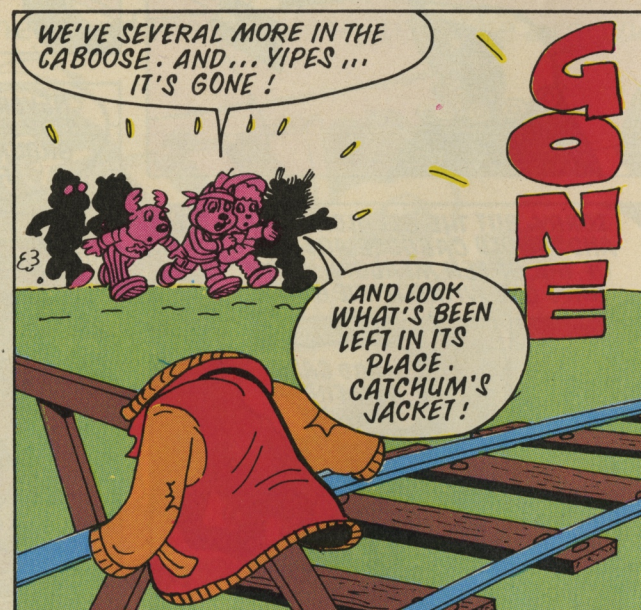
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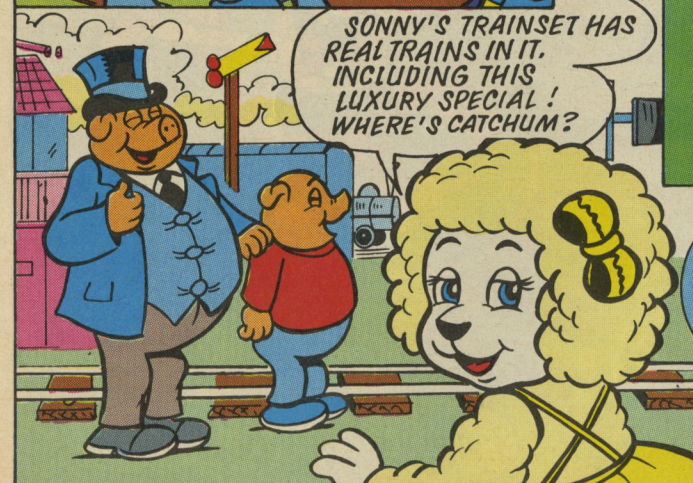
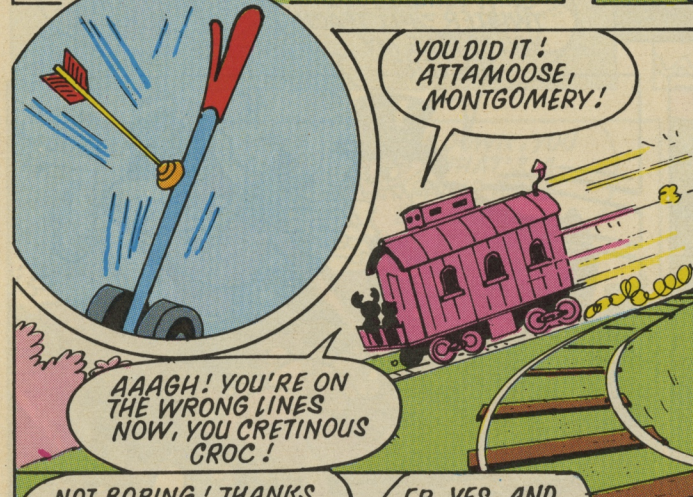
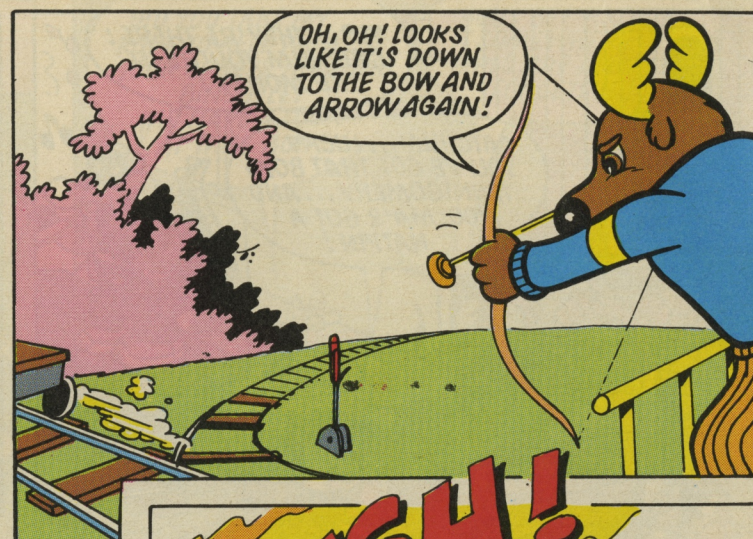
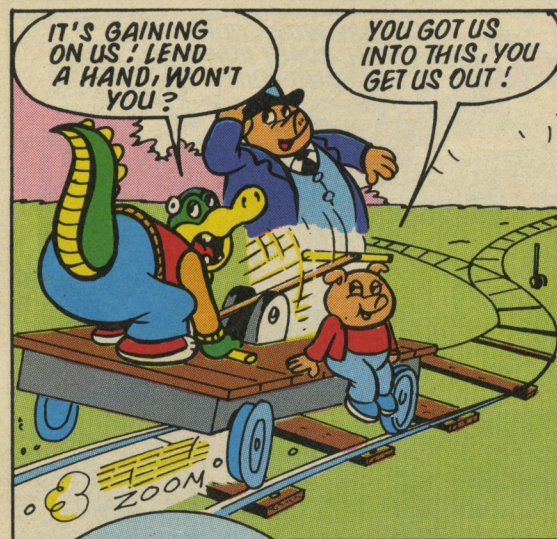
ABC

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IN TRAINING

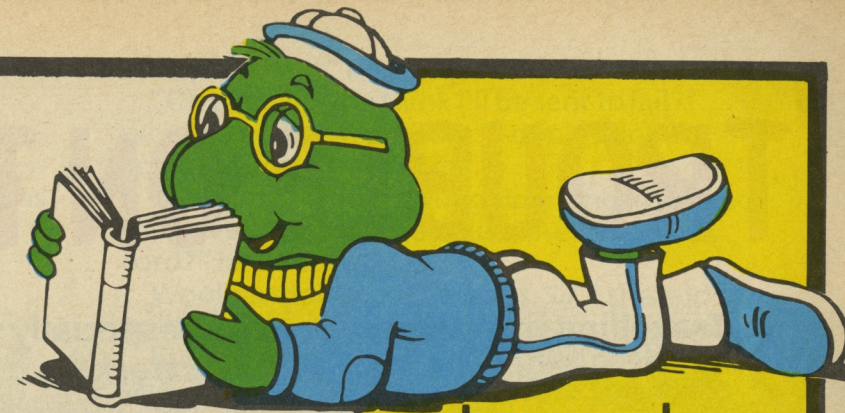






NEXT WEEK: The Gang on film!

AS EASY AS ABC



The oldest station in the world is **Liverpool Road Station**, in Manchester, which opened on 15th September 1830.

Can you think of 4 words about railways that all begin with the letter T? The answers are below

- 1 T rack
- 2 T unnel
- 3 T icket
- 4 T rain

Alan Witton, of Manchester, visited every open British Rail station (there were 2362 of them!) in a tour for charity. He covered 16,592 miles on 13th July-28th August 1980.

The world's most crowded railway is in Japan which carries about 20,000,000 passengers a day! Professional pushers are employed to squeeze in passengers so that the doors can be closed! It sounds even worse than travelling on the Tube in London!

Which of the following is **NOT** the name of a train:

- 1 The Flying Scotsman
 - 2 Stephenson's Rocket
 - 3 The Mallard
 - 4 The Flying Dutchman.
- The answer's below.



TRAINS

Answer: The Flying Dutchman is a ship, not a train. It is a ghost ship which sails near the Cape of Good Hope.

Answer: 1 Train, 2 Track, 3 Tunnel, 4 Ticket (Don't worry if you got some of your answers in a different order)

book choice

No More Secrets for Me



No More Secrets for Me by Oralee Wachter. Illustrated by Caroline Binch. Published by Puffin Books. Price: £1.25.

It's not fair, but it happens. Someone you know, or someone in your family, touches you in a way that you don't like. What should you do? Do you keep it to yourself? What if you've promised to keep it a secret, or you feel embarrassed about it? *No More Secrets for Me* is a collection of stories featuring children in just such worrying situations. Lee, Lynn, Sam and Maureen show how difficult it can be to know what to do, but also show that there is a way to look after yourself – or to help a friend.

TROUBLE ON THE TRACK!

Travelling by train can be a trial, especially when there's trouble on the track!

By Karen King



"PUFFFFF! PUFFFFF! SCREEEEEECH!" "It's here!" Portia shouted excitedly as the train screeched to a halt. The Gang were off on a trip to town, but their usual team spirit was forgotten in the mad scramble for seats.

"Yaay, bags me the seat by the window!" Bingo whooped.

"Hey, I wanted to sit there!" Dotty cried, trying to beat him to it.

"Tough luck!" Bingo grinned triumphantly as he dived into the seat.

"Some people have no manners!" Dotty sulked, going off in a huff.

"I'm going to sit in another carriage, too." Woolma said "It's so crowded here, I might crease my new dress."

"Well, I'm sitting at the back!" Zipper said, zipping off. "That's where the fun is!"

"Don't you think it'd be more fun if we all sat together?" Bernice suggested. But it was too late, the Gang had all disappeared to different parts of the train.

"PUFFFFF! PUFFFFF! EEEEEEEH!" the train started off again.

"PIIING! TINKLE!" "Oh no, I've dropped my purse and the money's fallen out!" Lolly wailed, bending down to look for it.

"It's a bit dark in here. I'll put the light on, you'll be able to see better." Rudyard offered, reaching up for the cord above his head.

"AAAAAAH! Don't touch that, twerp!" Montgomery hollered. "That's the emergency cord, if you pull that we'll really be in lumber!"

"What d'ya mean?" Rudyard stammered, moving his hand away quick.

"When that cord is pulled the driver knows he has to make an emergency stop," Braker eagerly explained. "If anyone pulls the cord without cause they usually get a hefty fine, or even..."

"Okay, Braker, we get the picture!" Montgomery said before the turtle could get going on one of his long lectures. "Anyway, Lolly's found her money now."

"I wish the others had sat with us, I wanted to take a photo of us all together." Flora sighed.

"Yipes! It's da-a-rk!" Dotty shuddered as the train passed through a long tunnel. "I wish I'd sat with the rest of the Gang!"

Woolma was thinking the same thing. "Ooer! I'm sc-ar-ed! Where's the light?" she gasped, but it was so dark she grabbed the emergency cord instead!

"SCREEEECH!" The train shuddered to a halt so suddenly the Gang fell off their seats!

"Ouch!"

"Yeow, my head!"

"What's up?" Zipper asked, dashing in.

"Sorry Gang." Woolma muttered awkwardly as she and Dotty joined them. "I pulled the wrong cord."

"You nitwit!" Rocco said. "Now we're for it!" Slam! Went the driver's cab door. "Stomp!"

"Stomp! Stomp!" He was coming their way!

"Oh dear, do you think I'll be sent to jail?" Woolma sniffed worriedly. "I don't think a prison uniform will suit me."

Trouble! The door swung open and in walked the driver. "Right, who pulled the emergency cord?" he boomed.

Woolma spoke up. "It was us, Sir," she said politely, "However, we can explain..."

But the driver was smiling! "Well done!" he said. "The railway track's broken, if you hadn't made me stop we could have had a nasty accident!"

"Wow! Good 'ol Woolma!" The Gang chorused.

"Trouble is, we can't carry on until I get the track fixed," the driver sighed.

"We'll help," Dotty offered.

"It could be quite complicated," Braker said, putting the brakes on the idea, as usual. "Maybe we should leave it to a trained engineer?"

"Then we won't get to town before the shops close, and I want to have my hair done." Woolma piped up.

"I'm sure the Gang can do it." Montgomery said. "It should be quite easy to put a railway track together. Come on, let's get along and try!"

"Yeow! This is heavy!"

"Hey, you're stepping on my foot!"

"Come on, lift it up a bit!"

"What d'ya think I am, Tarzan?" Zipper wheezed as he, Rocco, and Montgomery tried to lift up one side of the track whilst Bingo, Rudyard and Braker helped the driver lift the other.

"Maybe we should help too." Portia suggested.

"Wha-a-t! And get my new dress dirty?" Woolma gasped.

"We can do it quicker if we work together, and I thought you wanted to go to the hairdressers." Bernice reminded her.

With twelve pairs of hands helping, the job was a lot easier.

"It's fixed." The driver shouted at last. "Well done Gang!"

"Glad to help" Montgomery said as they all scrambled back into the train to finish the journey.

When the station master heard how the Gang had saved the train from crashing and fixed the rail, he gave them all a free ticket so they could go on the train anytime they liked.

"Now we can have lots of outings!" Dotty smiled. "Things always work out better when the Gang's all together!"

Colouring Chaos!

AAAAAGH! That Gang are up to no good again! This time I'm being chased by their crazy caboose!

What do you think Montgomery is saying to Dotty? Think up something really funny and write it in the speech bubble, then send it to us here at Marvel Comics. (The address is below). We'll print the funniest one!

Love Catchumxx



Send your funny captions to:
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HEINZ

HAUNTED HOUSE

AS IT'S HALLOWEEN, IT'S DELICIOUS SPOOKY STEW FOR SUPPER KIDS.

WICKED STEP-MUM

YUK! OUR MOST UNFAVOURITE... HOW CAN I STOP HER COOKING IT?

GOT IT, WE'LL USE OUR SPOOKY 'GLOW IN THE DARK' HAUNTED HOUSE STICKERS *

SUDDEN IDEA

NOW...

101 RECIPES FOR THE WORKING WICKED STEP-MUM

SPOOKY STEW

INGREDIENTS:
EYE OF BAT
LEG OF FROG
SEASONING
1 TEASPOON WARTS

METHODS:
1. Put ingredients in a pot and boil for 10 minutes.

I'LL JUST GET SOME FRESH WARTS...

SPOOKY GHOST STICKER

AARRGH!

HEE, HEE SNIGGER... THESE STICKERS ARE GREAT.

HORRID BOY

NEVER MIND THE WARTS... I'LL USE A FAT FROG INSTEAD

FAT FROG STICKER

YURK!

RABBIT!

WHERE IS SYD?

HOW'S THE STEW GOING MUM?

AND... I'VE RUN OUT OF MICE

VERY HIGH SHIRTS, MOST IMPRACTICAL IN THE KITCHEN...

HO HO I CAN SEE ONE.

AAAAARRRRGGHH!

AND VERY DIFFICULT TO RUN IN

SCARY MOUSE STICKER

LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO COOK OUR FAVOURITE...

...YUMMY HAUNTED HOUSE. THE MORE WE EAT THE MORE STICKERS WE GET!

FLYING BATS

SALT AND PEPPER

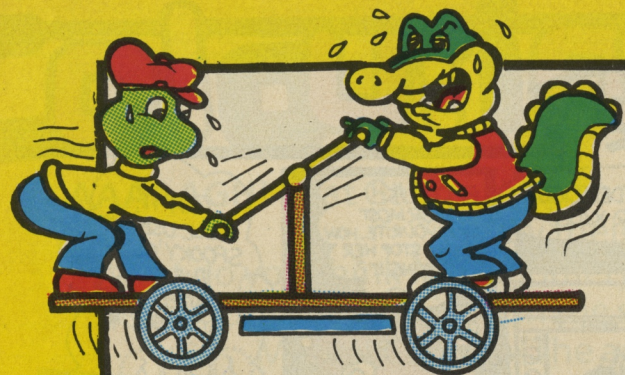
FREE SPOOKY THEATRE

FREE HAUNTED HOUSE AND GLOW IN THE DARK STICKERS

VERY SCARY GHOST STICKER

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SCARE YOUR FRIENDS SILLY WITH HEINZ HAUNTED HOUSE.

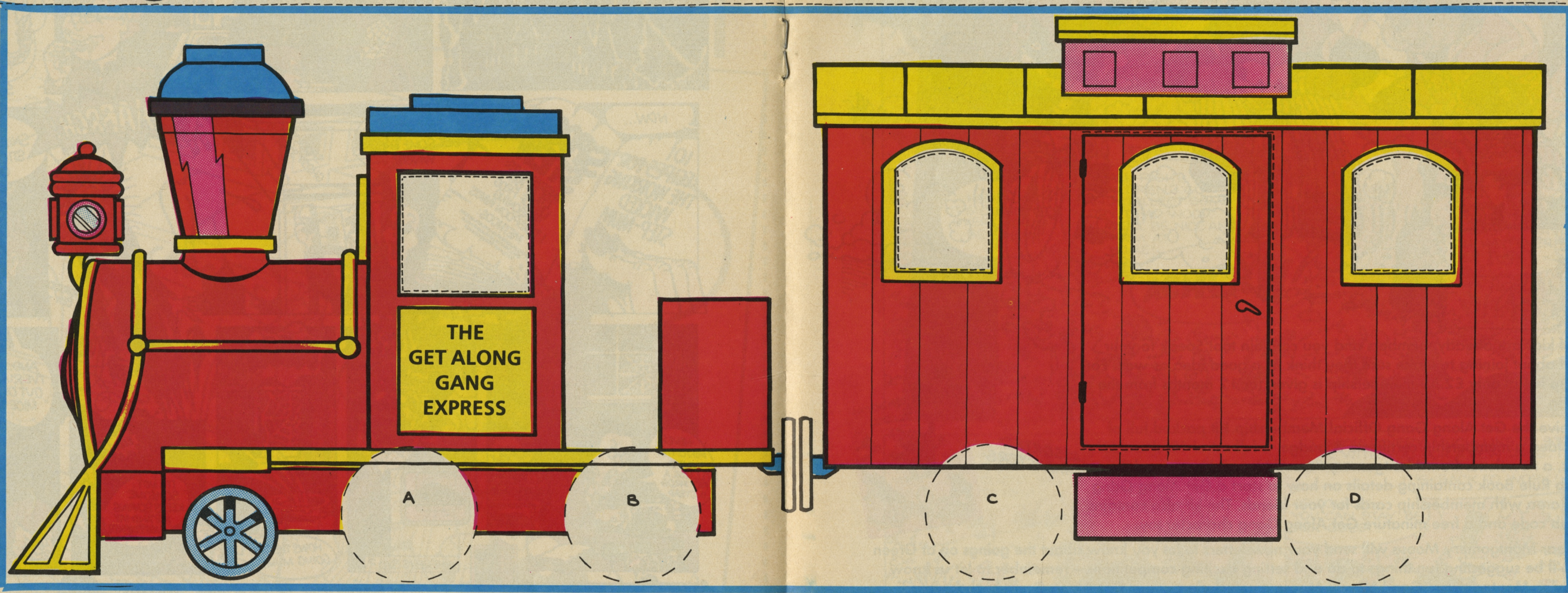


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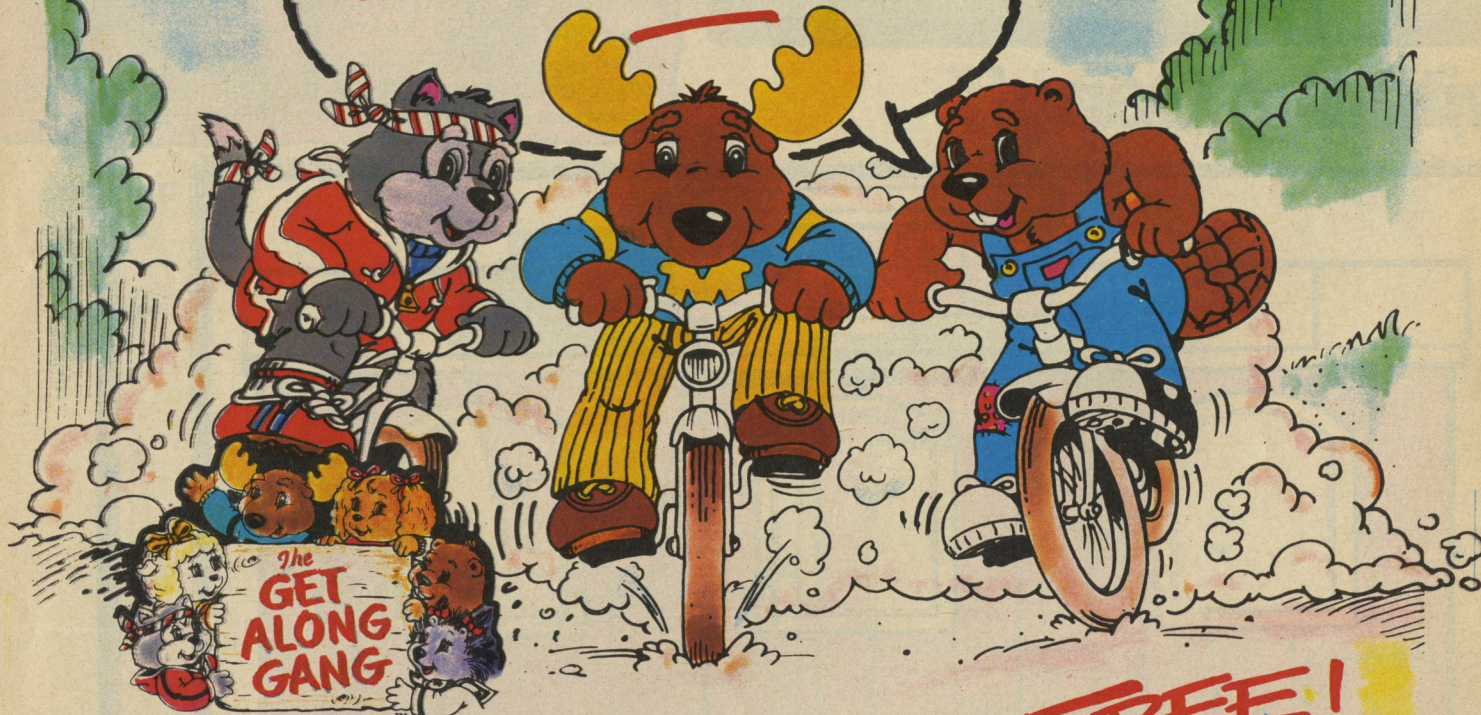
Take a train trip with the Gang!

Cut around the blue line around the train. Cut out all the windows and door. Attach the piece of paper with the engine and carriage on (F) to a piece of card by putting sticky tape along the blue lines only. Do not glue the paper (F) all over or you will not be able to open the door. Stick the figures, accessories and wheels onto cardboard. Cut out the wheels and the bars (A,B,C,D). Place the wheels on the train by matching up the letters and place the bar on top, again matching up the letters. Secure the bars and wheels by pushing a split pin through the points where the letters are. Make the signal by matching up the letters and securing with a split pin.

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WHEN YOU
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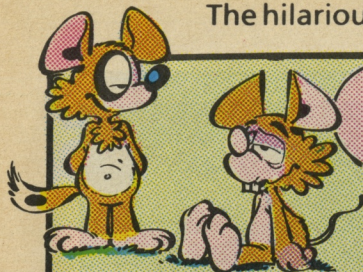
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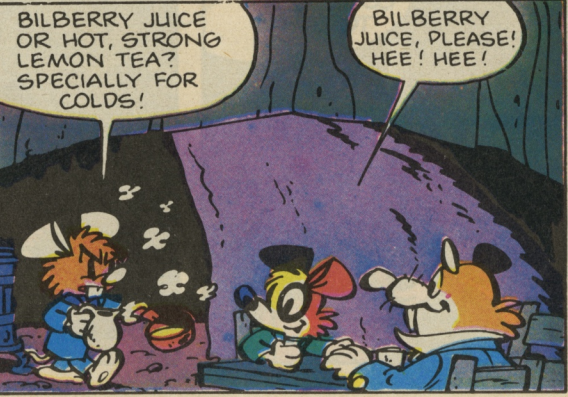
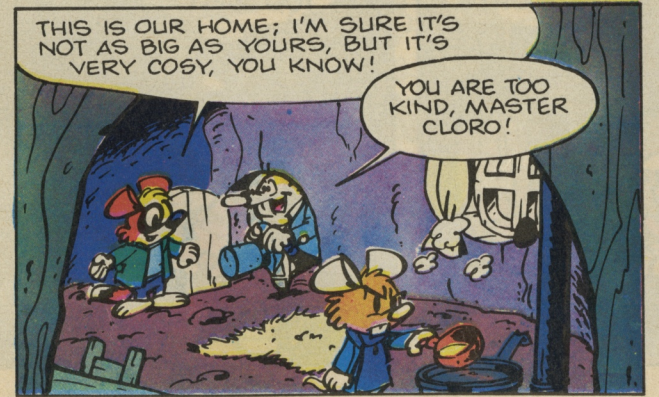
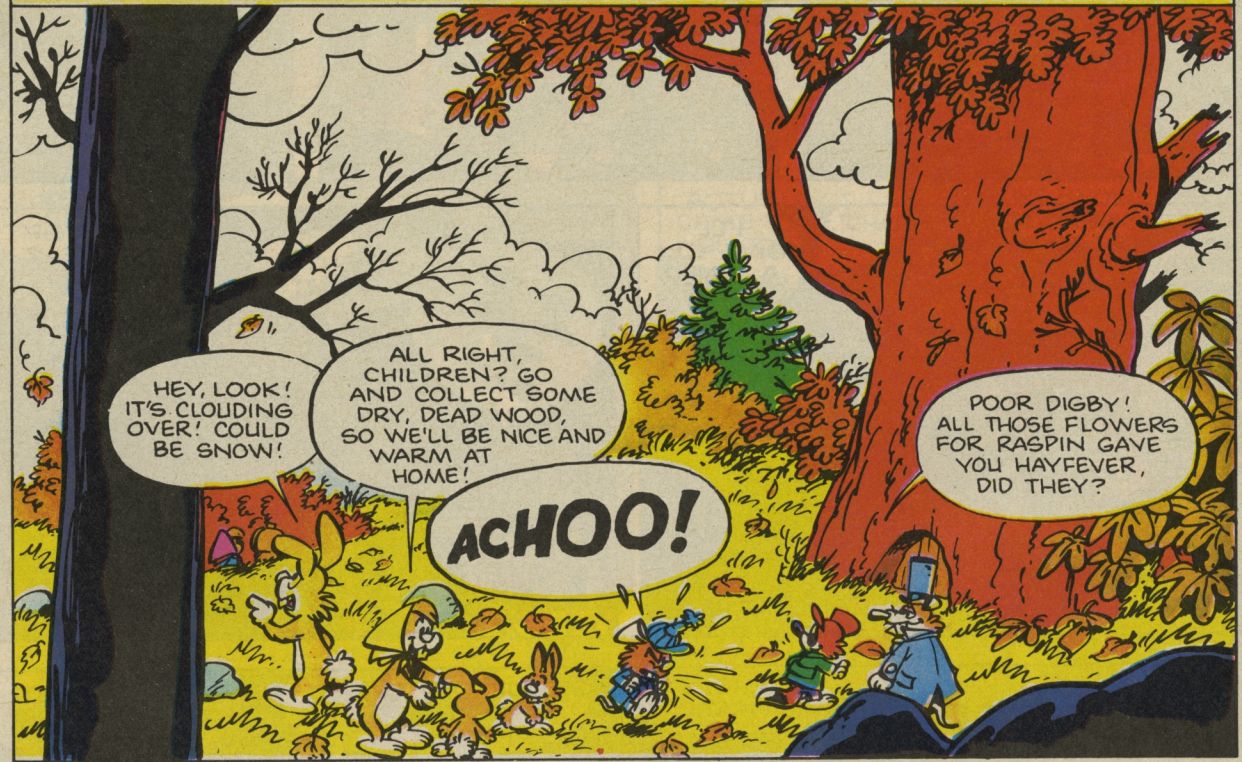
The hilarious adventures of two little field-mice and their country friends!



CLORO AND DIGBY

Cloro and Digby's friend Mr Mustirat has gone missing in spooky Blackstone Wood...

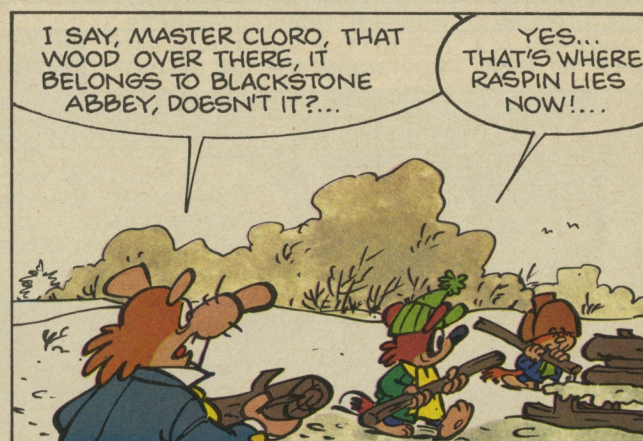
RASPIN THE RAT HAS DIED AND IS BURIED IN THE RUINS OF BLACKSTONE ABBEY. THE DAY AFTER THIS HAPPENED, THINGS GOT BACK TO NORMAL IN THE LITTLE WOOD...





AND SO ALL THE LITTLE ANIMALS SET OFF TO FIND PROVISIONS FOR THE WINTER...





NEXT WEEK: Finding out the truth!



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TOP DOG

Top Dog is trying to listen in on a strange sounding conversation between the very suspicious Mr McGee and Joey's friend Mr Carter. Mr Carter owns a comic book shop.

MEANWHILE... I MAY BE **CRAZY**, BUT I'VE A STRANGE FEELING ABOUT THAT GUY WITH THE STRAW HAT! **HMM...** I'VE GOT TO GET **INSIDE** WITHOUT BEING SEEN!

NOW, UNLESS I MISS MY GUESS...

...THERE SHOULD BE AN...

AHA! THE AIR CONDITIONER UNIT!

THESE DUCTS RUN THROUGHOUT THE STORE!

UGH! THIS IS PRETTY TIGHT!

WHAT I WON'T **DO** TO FOLLOW MY HUNCHES!

I ALWAYS LIKE A **SNUG** FIT!

NOW, LET'S SEE WHERE THIS DUCT LEADS TO!

WELL, WELL! WHAT HAVE WE **HERE?**

THIS MUST BE A **STORAGE ROOM** OR **VAULT** OF SOME KIND!

HMM!

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WHO WOULD PAY **THAT** KIND OF MONEY FOR A **STUPID** COMIC BOOK?

I'LL FIGURE IT OUT **LATER!** RIGHT NOW, I'D BETTER FIND OUT WHAT I CAME **FOR!**

NOW LISTEN, SPARKS...

CALL ME **McGEE!** **DON'T** USE THE NAME 'SPARKS' ANYMORE!

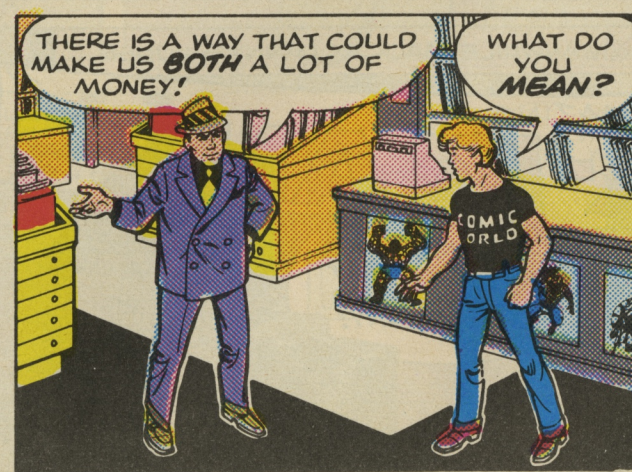
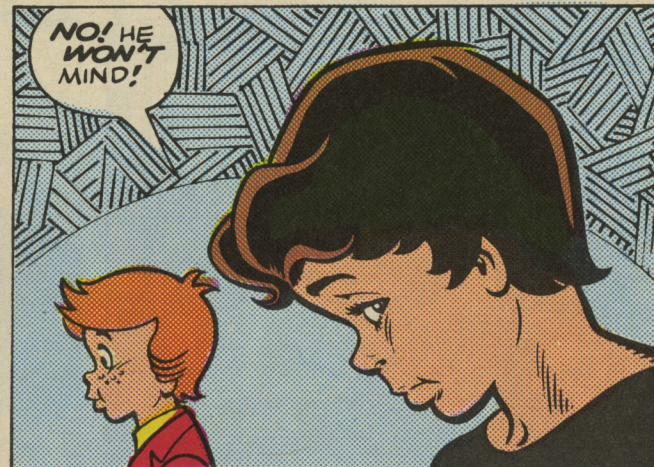
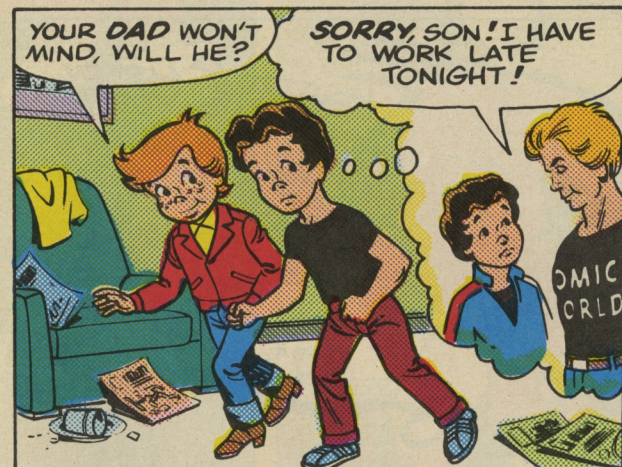
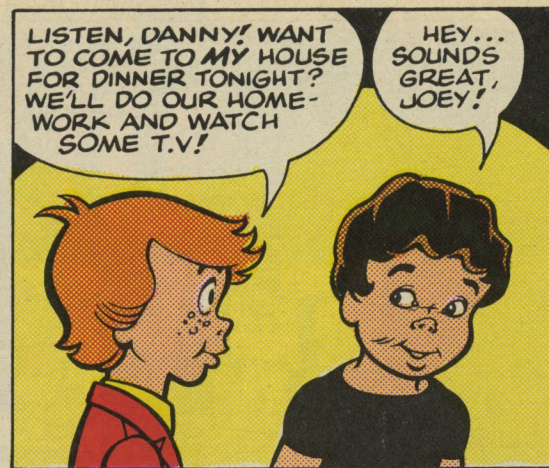
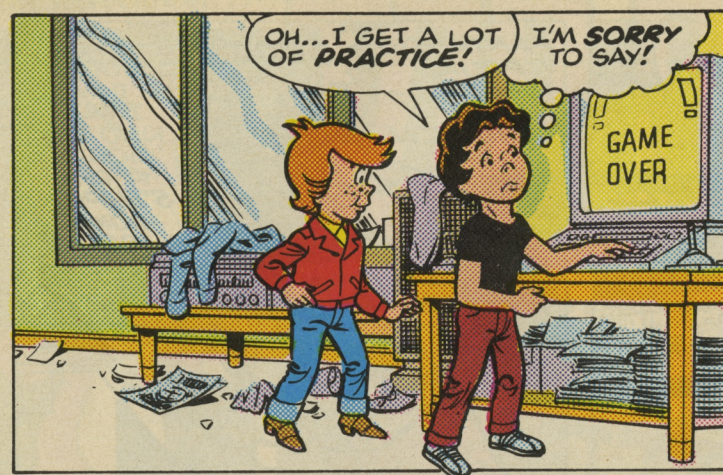
ALL RIGHT, **McGEE!** I'M TELLING YOU I NEED **MORE** TIME!

AND I'M TELLING **YOU**, TIME IS SOMETHING WE **DON'T** HAVE! I HAVE TO SEE **MONEY** FROM MY INVESTMENT IN THIS JOINT! **NOW!**

MEANWHILE, BACK AT DANNY'S HOUSE...

AMAZING R-MAN IN PERSON SATURDAY 12 TO 4 P.M.

WOW! YOU'RE **GREAT** AT THESE VIDEO GAMES, **DANNY!**



NEXT WEEK: McGee's wicked plan!

LETTERS TO

GUMMY FOOT SWAMP

BIRTHDAY PEOPLE!

SATURDAY

Wendy Diane Pullan will be 5, Amanda Clarkson will be 8, Claire Hammond will be 11.

SUNDAY

Andrew Summers will be 10.

MONDAY

Paul Emlyn Jones will be 5, Jacob Green will be 8, Michael Holt will be 9, Louise Reynolds will be 10 and Lucy (who forgot to tell us her surname!) will be a year older.

TUESDAY

Madeleine Helen Norman will be 8 and Mark Beaumann will be a year older.

WEDNESDAY

Katy Ladbroke will be 7, Jennifer Kneath will be 10, Karen Jones will be 12 and Kirsty McDonald's brother will be 16.

THURSDAY

Vicky Turner will be 7, Liam Collins will be 8 and Pippa Waterman will be 8.

FRIDAY

Thomas Broughton will be 5 and William Perkins (Rachel's Dad) will be 31.

UNDERWATER CROC!

Dear Catchum,
I live in Florida. My Daddy is a golf ball diver. He looks for golf balls in lakes on golf courses. Have you ever bitten a diver?
Elizabeth Lloyd.

ZIPPY ZOIDS!

Dear Catchum,
Do you like the Zoids? I think they're great!
Richard.
Coo, yeah! I read Marvel's Spiderman and Zoids comic every week! My favourite Zoid is Kroc!

GUMMYFOOT GAGS!

What do you get if you cross a cockerel with a poodle?
A cockerpoodledoo!
Matilda Moffet.

Knock, knock!
Who's there?
Felix.
Felix who?
Felix my lolly I'll hit him!
Rebecca Bainbridge.

BOYFRIEND BOTHER!

Dear Catchum,
I have a boyfriend who's in my class at school. I am taller than him, so I have bought some low-heeled shoes!
Joanne Colley.
Maybe your boyfriend ought to buy some platform shoes! Or a big wig! Hur, hur!

FUNNY FISH!

Dear Catchum,
I have two fish. They're called Splash and Fred. Splash chases Fred around the fish tank and once he bit Fred's tail!
Nicola Langdon.
Chortle! Splash sounds like a great fish! How would he fancy a holiday in the Swamp?!

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